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March 25, 2009

TO: Each Supervisor

FROM: Jonathan E. Fielding, M.D., M.P.H.  
Director and Health Officer

SUBJECT: **NOTIFICATION OF DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH'S USE OF  
DELEGATED AUTHORITY TO EXECUTE A SUBVENTION AGREEMENT  
WITH THE CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH TO ENTER  
DATA ON THE CALIFORNIA ELECTRONIC DEATH REGISTRATION SYSTEM**

This is to notify your Board that I am exercising the authority delegated by your Board on January 15, 2008, to accept and execute agreements for future Fiscal Years (FY) through FY 2011-12 related to the California Electronic Death Registration Systems (CA-EDRS). This delegated authority allows the acceptance of the California Department of Public Health (CDPH) reimbursement at an amount determined by CDPH, for entry of Los Angeles County death certificate data into either the CDPH Automated Vital Statistics Systems (AVSS) or CA-EDRS.

Under such authority, DPH will enter into an agreement with CDPH to accept an amount payable by CDPH to DPH of one dollar for each death certificate data entered into CA-EDRS during the term of July 1, 2008 through June 30, 2009, the maximum amount payable under this agreement is not to exceed \$54,870.

CA-EDRS is a web-based system developed and maintained by the CDPH for the purposes of registering death certificates. It was implemented on October 1, 2007 in the cities of Los Angeles, Long Beach, and Pasadena.

County Counsel and the Chief Executive Office have approved the agreement as to form.

If you have any questions or need additional information, please let me know.

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c: Chief Executive Officer  
County Counsel  
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